



Retired gun finds new home aboard SS American Victory



A 5-inch anti-aircraft gun is loaded from a truck to a flatbed rail car in preparation for its journey to Tampa, Fla. The gun was one of thousands of items stored at Cheatham Annex by the Navy Curator. Its new home will be aboard the SS American Victory Mariners Memorial Ship. American Victory was used to ferry troops during World War II, and is now moored in Tampa, Fla. One of the ship's museum volunteers is also a CSX employee. He was able to arrange free transportation of the gun from the Lee

Hall Railroad station to Tampa. It was trucked from Cheatham Annex to Lee Hall. The ship is open to visitors while restoration is completed. According to Project Manager Alan Gutcher, American Victory will begin taking passengers to sea for day cruises beginning some time next year. Gutcher said that while the gun "may not look pretty," it will be possible to completely clean and restore it. For more information on the American Victory museum, visit www.americanvictory.org.

ELDP sets itself apart from other leadership programs

by Michael Brayshaw

If a course with a name like Executive Leadership Development Program (ELDP) calls forth images of business people sitting around a room discussing assertiveness skills, FISC Supervisory Supply Systems Analyst Joseph Long can correct that misconception. He fired an M-16 rifle. He flew through the heart of the Yosemite Valley. He straddled the border of North and South Korea. And he did it all on company

time.

Long recently completed the ELDP, a ten-month course that enabled its 53 participants to learn more—much more—about the policies and processes within the Department of Defense (DOD). "This is a hands-on type program in that you don't sit in a class and get lectures all day," said Long. "There's unbelievable exposure to all parts of the DOD, and it really took me out of my Navy-oriented self where I've been for the past 24 years."

Even 24 years working with the Navy couldn't entirely prepare Long for his frenetic ten months in the ELDP. The program's orientation began in Washington, D.C., then traveled to West Virginia, then to Pearl Harbor, on to many Western states, to Korea, to Georgia, and then the sprawling circuit was completed back in Washington, D.C. Eerily, the program designed to bolster recognition of the DOD mission began in

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From the Commanding Officer: Thanks for the welcome!



By Capt. Loren V. Heckelman
Commanding Officer, FISC Norfolk

FISC Norfolk Teammates,

In this, my first Supply Chest column as your commanding officer, I want to thank everyone for the warm welcome and all the briefings and tours during the turnover process and my first couple of weeks here. The change of command was a spectacular and memorable event... thank you to all who worked hard to make the day so special for the Kowba and Heckelman families. I know each of you joins me in

extending our appreciation and warm wishes to Capt. Kowba as he moves to the CNO Strategic Studies Group in Newport, R.I.

I am delighted to be here and to be joining this team. You have a proud heritage of providing the very best in service and support to the Fleet and your industrial customers. You have a reputation of being a "can-do" outfit and of being the best on the waterfront. Your ability to serve your customers has been demonstrated repeatedly throughout your long history – by whatever name the organization has been known – dating back to the early 1900s... and your commitment to providing outstanding service to the Fleet was truly brought home in your response to the events of September 11 this past year.

There are still major challenges ahead as our country and our Navy continue to fight the global war on terrorism and transform our fighting forces to meet the challenges of the future. As the Spanish-American philosopher, George Santayana said, "We must welcome the future, remembering that soon it will be the past. And we must respect the past, remembering that once it was

all that was humanly possible."

Our Navy and NAVSUP leadership has clearly communicated to us their priorities. Our job – our main thing – is to deliver combat capability through logistics. I look forward to working with each and every member of the FISC Norfolk team to do that job. My commitment, as I stated in my change of command remarks, is to give you the best I have to give.

My command philosophy has three main focus areas: mission accomplishment, professionalism and the good of the institution and growth, development and well being of our shipmates. I will publish my command philosophy in its entirety in a future issue and discuss more about what those focus areas mean to me through future columns.

In summary, these are exciting and challenging times. The legacy of this great center of outstanding teamwork and pulling together to get the job done will be even more critical and important to our future than it has been in the past. Working together, I know we will continue to be successful and a significant player in the Tidewater area community and our nation's Navy.

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FY 03 Supply Corps Postgraduate (PG) Education Selection Board

Congratulations to the officers listed below who successfully screened for PG school.

The PG Board is an administrative Board held concurrently with the statutory Lieutenant Promotion board. To be eligible to attend Naval Postgraduate School (NPG), selected officers must have a qualifying Academic Profile Code (APC) of 345 or better (lower) on file. The PG Board reviewed officers in the eligibility window of year groups 95-97, in addition to officers outside of the year group eligibility window who requested re-screening via a letter to the board president.

Officers may confirm their APC or PG school preferences by contacting the Career Counselor at 901-874-4624, DSN 882-4624, or via e-mail at p4412q@persnet.navy.mil. PG school preferences can be updated via e-mail or telephone. Those officers without a computed APC, or those seeking to correct their APC, must do so by contacting the NPS in Monterey. The POC at NPS is Ms. Karen Collyer at 831-656-3093 or DSN 878-3093.

The following are the Supply Corps Postgraduate Programs:

360 - Operations Analysis, 361 - Operations Logistics, 370 - Information Technology Management, 810 - Supply Acquisition/Distribution Management, 810A - Supply Acquisition/Distribution Management Program (NSCS Athens / University of Georgia), 811 - Petroleum Management, 813 - Transportation Logistics, 815 - Acquisition/Contract Management, 819 - Systems Inventory Management, 827 - Material Logistics Support Management (ILS), 837 - Financial Management.

The following officers have screened for postgraduate school:

Year Group 91

Stephen Jendrysik (810)

Year Group 92

Frankie Hand (810), Seth Manti (360)

Year Group 93

Cane Toussaint (837)

Year Group 94

Michael Giles (837), Darrell Olsowski (811), Kris Runaas (370).

Year Group 95

Rodney Boyd (360), Myron Brown (813), Chad Buermelle (810), Jason Cassano (810), Nadine Cater (815),

Pamela Dozier (370), John Duenas (813), Jason Fitch (810), Troy Gronberg (810), Antonio Harley (815), Douglas Harold (813), Terence Hayes (811), Steven Luna (815), Robert Perez (815), Allen Sanford (360), Steven Schultz (815), Gary Schulz (819), Terrence Simmons (810), Shawn Spencer (813), Joel Tiu (813), Aaron Traver (837), Dennis Turner (811), Christopher Wise (837)

Year Group 96

Ernesto Andrada (815), Michael Apriceno (370), Mark Axinto (815), John Baehr (370), Heather Baldwin (810), Nathan Begley (811), Leslie Beltz (815), Patrick Blake (810), John Chen (360), David Cornelius (370), Heidi Fearon (837), Nicola Gathright (837), Fernando Harris (370), Mooni Jafar (837), Keith Jeffries (827), Jerry King (815), Patrick Lahiff (360), Bryan Lichtenstein (811), Manuel Lugo (360), Ryan Montgomery (815), Richard Otlowski (810A), Wade Rindy (827), Terry Shaske (370), Dana Smith (837), Brett Sullivan (815), Brian Vosberg (837), Todd Wanack (810), Peter Ward (360), John Williamson (811), Stephen Wilson (819), Anthony Yanero (360), Michael York (360), Mark Ziegler (815).

Year Group 97

David Arnold (837), Timothy Brown (810), Michael Caimona (815), Russell Czack (813), Richard Dixon (370), Brian Dodson (360), Brie Gallagher (815), Roy Garrison (370), Ladena Gray (837), Shikina Jackson (815), Brian Jeter (815), Bryan Jones (370), Bruce Kong (370), Christian Mahler (811), Robert Mazzarella (815), Joshua Mckay (815), Jason Miller (815), James Murphy (360), Joel Pitel (813), Homero Ramos (819), David Roddy (811), Cory Schemm (815), Robert Scott (827), Jacob Spruance (360), Angela Stanmore (837), James Statler (815), Shane Strohl (810), Christopher Waldron (360).

Year Group 98

Paul Demeyer (810A)

Year Group 99

Paul Havens (810A), Jonathan Limbert (810A), Brian Simonson (810A)

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Rear Admiral, SC, USN

All ships flying first Navy jack during War on Terrorism

The Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable Gordon R. England, has ordered all U.S. Navy ships to fly the First Navy Jack in place of the Union Jack for the duration of the global war on terrorism.

The First Navy Jack, which is commonly known as the “Don’t Tread On Me” flag because of the motto which appears on it, consists of a moving rattlesnake on a field of 13 horizontal red and white stripes.

From 1775-76, the First Navy Jack was flown by all Navy ships in the fleet for only the second time since the American Revolution as a historical reminder of country’s Bicentennial celebration. Then, in 1977, the Secretary directed that only the oldest active ship in commission would have the honor of flying the Jack. Today, that honor belongs to USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63), which was commissioned April 29, 1961.

All Navy ships and craft authorized to fly the First Navy Jack received four flags each through a special distribution. For deployed ships, the flags were mailed to the appropriate Fleet Post Office address. Flags were hand delivered by representatives of Navy Supply Systems Command’s (NAVSUP) Logistics Support Centers to all other ships starting Aug. 30. Deliveries were completed by



Accepting the Don't Tread on Me flag aboard USS Cape St. George were Capt. Mark Wahlstrom, USS Cape St. George commanding officer (far right) and Cmdr. Steve Morgan, USS Cape St. George Supply Officer (far left). The flag was presented to the ship by FISC Norfolk Logistics Support Representative Garry Humphries and FISC Norfolk Customer Service Director Cmdr. Brett Sturken.

the second week of September.

To view SECNAVINST 10520.6 authorizing display of the First Navy Jack during the global war on terrorism, go to http://neds.nebt.daps.mil/Directives/10520_6.pdf.

TO THE ATAC-HUB FAMILY

From July 19, 2002 through August 2, 2002 all of my fellow employees realized we had to pull together and do our jobs because of the severity and the importance of what we do.

Everyone rolled up their sleeves and went to work. I would like to say Kudos to all for you really came

through at a difficult time.

Bonnie B. Morgan — Co-Worker

Editor's note: If you would like to send a special thank-you to a co-worker or recognize someone for a job well done, call 443-1014, bring it by the Public Affairs Office so we can print it for you.

MULAG speeds up small ship pierside loading of stores



Charlene Jackson Taylor, a certified MULAG operator, and Andre Brown load material aboard USS Stump (DD-978). The diesel conveyor belt vehicle known as the "MULAG" is being deployed by FISC Norfolk to load smaller ships at the piers. The vehicles uses an endless belt system to transport material easily aboard ship without the need to carry items up a ramp. The vehicles weighs 9,480 pounds and is 45.6 feet long with a maximum single belt load of 330 lbs. Its prime function will be to support the provisions onloads. FISC LSRs will arrange nonfood conveyor use. The naval version of the MULAG, the MDF 12, was specifically designed for loading or offloading military ships. Features include a rotating beacon light for conveyor belt lowering mounted underneath the conveyor boom, a NATO standard starting aid socket, manual pump for emergency operations, five feet of rollers located at the front of the boom, removable extensions, guard rails, and adjustable rear height of the belt to five feet.



FS&WRB opens store on Mall

There's a new store on the Mall, and it belongs to the FISC Norfolk Food Services and Welfare Recreation Board (FS&WRB). FISC Norfolk Executive Director Sid Etherington and FS&WRB Secretary Larry Ellis Celebrated the opening with a ribbon cutting. The store features FISC Norfolk emblematic items. Patrons may purchase mugs, ballcaps, shirts and other items. The store is open Wednesday's from 11:30-1:00.

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D.C. on September 11th. "We were in Arlington, about half-a-mile from the Pentagon, when it was hit," recalled Long. "We heard the plane fly over and then 'boom.' The orientation had just started, and obviously was cut short as soon as that happened."

The haunting events of that day went on to influence the ELDP in many ways, such as with Long becoming familiar with the Coast Guard's use of dolphins and sea lions to fight terrorism via their sniffing out underwater bombs. As interesting an experience as that was, it was not quite as memorable as the seven-hour ride on the USS

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ALABAMA, nor the tear gas simulation many in the group volunteered to personally experience. "See, when I say hands-on I mean *hands-on*," said Long. "I had a machine gun in my hand and was firing live rounds."

Long clearly found the program suitably demanding, particularly the overseas deployment to Korea. Once in Seoul, he was soon aboard a helicopter that flew to the demilitarized zone. Clearly, few Americans have bragging rights of being on the border of North Korea, and few people of any nationality can lay claim to being in a program that often consisted of 20 hour workdays alternating both academic experiences and physical fitness. Still, Long can't say he wasn't warned. In the ELDP Handbook, there's a list of the program's objectives. It says participants can expect to get not only "improved communication skills" and "life-long friendships," but also "tired, dirty, sweaty, hot, cold, wet, etc."

"It was unbelievably challenging," agreed Long. "At no point in time did we ever work a mere eight-hour day. We were consistently starting five, six in the morning."

The ELDP concluded with Strate-

gic Intelligence Week, during which the 53 program participants separated into six teams to each collaborate on a 15-page paper addressing topics like "Use of the Media as a Weapon in the Twenty-first Century Warfare" and "Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection at the Gate." Papers were then streamlined into a set of conclusions and recommendations before then being forwarded to the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

For those interested in taking the course, you have to be a DOD employee and range in pay grade from GS-12 through GS-14. "Once you go through this course, you never look at your job the same way again," stressed Long. "It gives you a better understanding of how we're supporting the warfighters instead of just fulfilling position descriptions. You realize your contribution, and that around here it's not just about getting a piece



FISC Supervisory Supply Systems Analyst Joseph Long is presented with his ELDP certificate.

of material to finish the job or having a 'win win' mentality, but about playing a role in National Defense."

It's a defense even more vital now than when Long first sat down that early morning on Sept. 11 for his orientation session. "And it was neat that the program's end briefing was held in late June at the Pentagon," said Long. "We got to really see the progress on the rebuilding there."



Wide load!

A landing craft utility (LCU) caught the eye of people aboard Cheatham Annex when it was transported by truck to the CAX pier. The 85,000 pound LCU is just one of many small boats stored in the CAX boat yard. The two-mile trip from the boat yard to the CAX pier was a coordinated effort between Naval Weapons Station Yorktown, CAX, and Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic. The pilothouse of the LCU had to be removed in order for the LCU to clear power lines on the way to the pier. A contract carrier transported the LCU aboard their truck and transferred it to a barge. The ultimate destination for the LCU is Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, Ga.



FISC/DDNV kick-off annual CFC campaign



FISC Norfolk Commanding Officer Capt. Loren V. Heckelman (top left) and DDNV Commander Capt. Jim Hagarty spoke at the CFC kick-off meetings for their commands. The annual fundraising campaign will run until Dec. 15.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Strength in Unity, Faith and Diversity

National Hispanic Heritage month observance began Sept. 15 and lasts until Oct. 15, 2002, with the theme, "Hispanic Americans: strength in unity, faith, and diversity."

"This year's observance is to increase the awareness and understanding of Hispanic Americans and especially those who give unselfishly in the service of their country," said Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. Norb Ryan Jr. "Hispanic Americans have enjoyed a rich military heritage in the defense of our nation and made significant contributions to our nation's history."

Recent contributions to the Hispanic community were recognized in May, when Lt. Cmdr. Angel R. Rivera and Aviation Master Chief (AW) Robert Mireles were awarded the prestigious National Image Inc. meritorious service award for their outstanding contributions to the Hispanic community and the U.S. Navy.

Mireles believes that educating Sailors to the many different cultures



they work with daily makes for a better working environment. "In the military organization, an understanding of individuals and their cultural backgrounds brings acceptance, awareness and builds a tighter team," explained the San Antonio, Texas, native.

"Valuing the diversity of each individual and fostering the atmosphere of belonging is critical to the continued success of the Navy," Ryan explained.

An area of no more than a block and a half in length exemplifies just one contribution from the Hispanic Community. "Hero Street, USA," formerly named Second Street and located in Silvis, Ill., earned its name because of the sacrifices eight young Hispanic American

men of Mexican descent made when they gave their lives in World War II and the Korean War.

Hispanic Americans have a proud heritage that all military leaders of the 21st century can look to for inspiration.

All commands are strongly encouraged to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month through educational programs, exhibits, publications and participation in military and community events that recognize the diversity of our American Heritage.

Visit the Web site at www.persnet.navy.mil/pers00h/Observances.html for information on cultural observance months.

Bravo Zulu



Judy Smith, Depot Operations, is the DDNV White Collar Employee of the Quarter.



Sandra Wilson, Production Division, is the DDNV Supervisor of the Quarter.



Suzanne Rodriguez, Production Division, is the DDNV Blue Collar Employee of the Quarter.



The DDNV Work Team of the Quarter is the Customer Service Shipping Team. Pictured left to right, first row, are Beverly Fintch, Gail Williams, and Delta Clemons. Second row - Jackie Sims, Karen Lewis, Janice Hollenquest, and Connie Johnson. Third row - Ruby Epps, Gloria Jones, and Sharmaine Beckett.



DDNV's Chappell Isom was presented a 40-year award by U.S. Army Col. (P) Kathleen Gainey, Defense Distribution Center Commander.

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